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SCIATT CONTACTED INSTITUTE OF HEALTH ON VC STUDIES IN ITALY AND WAS INFORMED THAT FROM THE NATIONAL CONGRESS HELD IN ROME ON JUNE 1974 ONLY PROF. CESARE MALTONI, DIRECTOR OF THE ONCOLOGIC INSTITUTE OF BOLOGNA AND PROF. L. VIOLA, HEALTH PHYSICIAN OF THE SOLVAY FACTORY OF ROSIGNANO (LEGHORN) WERE CONDUCTING RELEVANT STUDIES ON VC INGESTION TOXICITY.

SINCE DEPARTMENT IS FAMILIAR WITH MALTONI'S WORK, EMBASSY CONTACTED PROF. VIOLA WHO STATED THAT HIS STUDIES ARE CONCERNED WITH INHALATION OF VC PRESENT AT VARIOUS DEGREES OF CONCENTRATION IN THE ATMOSPHERE AND ON ITS CANCEROGENOUS EFFECTS. PROF. VIOLA WILL SEND TO EMBASSY FOR TRANSMITTAL TO DEPARTMENT HIS PUBLICATIONS ON THE SUBJECT, PART OF WHICH ARE IN ENGLISH AND FRENCH. PROF. VIOLA ALSO STATED THAT IN 1971 HE WAS INVITED BY THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF CHEMICAL MANUFACTURERS OF WASHINGTON TO REPORT ON HIS ACTIVITY IN VC STUDIES.

DIRECTOR OF INSTITUTE OF HEALTH WILL CONTINUE TO INVESTIGATE POSSIBILITY OF OTHER RESEARCH ON VC WHICH IF RECEIVED WILL BE FORWARDED IMMEDIATELY.VOLPE

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